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**Two Sentenced in Southern Indiana
Methamphetamine Conspiracy**

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that JOSHUA LUQUE RAMOS, 22 and AMY BABINES, 35, both of Washington, Indiana, were sentenced to 120 months and 63 months imprisonment, respectively, by U.S. District Judge Richard L. Young following their guilty pleas to conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine. Defendant Ramos was sentenced yesterday, March 29, 2005, and Defendant Babines was sentenced today, March 30, 2005. The case was the result of a 2003 and 2004 investigation by the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Vincennes Police Department, the Daviess County Sheriff's Department, the Indiana State Police and the Evansville Vanderburgh County Joint Drug Task Force. Three additional defendants, Alfonso

RAMOSE and BABINES –

Agauyo Amaral, Pablo Echeverria and Josue Babines Pimentel, are set to stand jury trial in June, 2005.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Matthew P. Brookman, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge Young also imposed 5 years supervised release as to both defendants following their release from imprisonment. During the period of supervised release, RAMOSE and BABINES must get drug treatment.

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